

**Media Release**

**Manitoba Skating Clubs Host Qualification Events in Preparation for the**

**Skate Canada Manitoba STARSkate Championship in March 2016**

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WINNIPEG, MB. Jan 6, 2016 - The following Manitoba regional figure skating competitions will take place over the month of January. These competitions allow the skaters to qualify for the provincial STARSkate Championships which will be held in Souris, Manitoba on March 5th and 6th, 2016 at the Souris Glenwood Memorial Complex.

Hundreds of young figure skaters will compete at 6 regional competitions across the province. This provides our skaters the opportunity to test the skills they have been learning throughout the year. Each skater is judged on program skill and content. The following are the details related to the regions and the dates and locations of each of the regional competitions.

Come to see our young skaters in action!

**2016 Skate Canada Manitoba STARSkate Regional Competitions and Dates**

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| **Region** | **Rink** | **Manitoba Location** | **Date(s)** |
| Eastman / Winnipeg  | Ile des Chenes Arena | Ile des Chenes | January 9-10, 2016 |
| Interlake | Carberry Plains Community Centre Arena | Carberry | January 16, 2016 |
| Parkland | Dauphin Rotary Arena | Dauphin | January 17, 2016 |
| North / South Westman | Yellowhead Centre Arena | Neepawa | January 23-24, 2016 |
| Central | PCU Centre | Portage la Prairie | January 30, 2016 |
| Norman | Roy H Johnston Arena | The Pas | January 30, 2016 |

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